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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Proposed CIA Legislation

i. Appropriate elements from the DD/S met to consider
the basic policy on possible CIA legislation. Present were: Colonel
White, DD/S; Mr. Houston, General Counsel; Mr. Saunders, Comptrolle
Mr. Stewart, Director of Personnel; Director of
Security; accompanied by
Office of Logistics; and Mr. Warner, Legislative Counsel.
2. was advised that general amendments to
the Internal Security laws or the Espionage laws were not within the
scope of this discussion.
gave a brief rundown of the types of Congressional
attitudes to be encountered in connection with possible legislation.
Following this we then made a point by point review of the provisions
in the previous draft. In general it was concluded that weighing the
difficulties and problems of introducing new legislation against the
need for additional authorities, it was determined that probably we
should not make any effort on any of the authorities except for the
retirement legislation which will be considered separately. It was
recognized that certain of the provisions were simply efforts to tidy
up the existing law whereas others were to secure authorities which
have been considered by the administration to be desirable for all
overseas employees. In other cases the Agency has determined that
it would exercise its broad authorities to apply certain of the benefits.
These will be reviewed in detail with a possible idea of placing them as
specific items in the forthcoming budget. This action in effect makes
such authorities a part of our appropriation act. The Office of General
Councel will consider this matter further with the Commencilarie office

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- 4. It is believed that the DCI regards the retirement provisions as highly desirable in one form or another. It is believed appropriate then that the Director be briefed in general on these legislative matters prior to the visit of the three Civil Service Commissioners for a luncheon which is to be held in the near future. In this manner it is hoped to secure more detailed information on his thinking on the principles of liberalized retirement for CIA employees.
- 5. In the meantime Legislative Counsel will attempt to determine the administration's position on various employee benefits for overseas employees generally.

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